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December 29, 1999

Mr. John R. Velasquez, Jr. Acting Central Enforcement Docket Supervisor Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: Matter Under Review #4953 Jim Ellis (Individual)

Dear Mr. Velasquez:

I am in receipt of your letter dated December 15, 1999, regarding the above captioned enforcement matter.

I have been out of town for the holidays and respectfully request that the Federal Election Commission (FEC) grant me a sixty (60) day extension of time in which to file a written response.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-543-5136.

Sincerely,

James W. Ellis